

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph which extends from page 19, line 12 to line 17 to read as follows:

Meanwhile, the input leads 4 (shown in Fig. 1) of the liquid-crystal-panel driver IC TCP are ~~is~~ connected to interconnection wiring 14 provided on an input connection board 13 formed of a flexible board or a printed board, and performs signal transmission and power supply via the interconnection wiring 14 of the input connection board 13.

Please amend the paragraph which extends from page 20, line 20, to page 22, line 2, to read as follows:

Fig. 3 is a plan view of a liquid-crystal-panel driver IC TCP to be mounted on a liquid crystal panel module according to a second embodiment of the present invention. There are shown in this figure: a base tape 21 of an upset T shape as an insulative base; a rectangular-shaped liquid crystal driver chip 22 as a liquid-crystal-panel driver IC mounted on the base tape 21; output leads 23 (output signals: O1 - On) including inner leads and outer leads provided on one longer-edge side of the liquid crystal driver chip 22 on the base tape 21; and input leads 24A, 24B (input signals: I1 - I7) including inner leads and outer leads provided on opposite both shorter-edge sides of the liquid crystal driver chip 22 on the base tape 21. A bending slit 25 is provided longitudinally of the liquid crystal driver chip 22 on the output leads 23 side generally in the center of the base tape 21, while connecting slits 26A, 26B are provided on the input leads 24A, 24B sides of the base tape 21 along the shorter edges of the liquid crystal driver chip 22. The outer leads of the input leads 24A, 24B extend outwardly generally perpendicularly to a direction in which the outer leads of the output leads 23 extends from the liquid crystal driver chip 22. The outer leads of the input leads 24A, 24B ~~26A, 26B~~ in the connection slits 26A, 26B can be made directly connectable to each other through soldering or other process by preparing a design that when liquid-crystal-panel driver IC TCPs are mounted on a later-described liquid crystal panel, mutually adjoining liquid-crystal-panel driver IC TCPs overlap each other at the connecting slits 26A, 26B. Meanwhile, identical-signal terminals of the liquid crystal driver chip 22, to which the inner leads of the input leads 24A, 24B are connected, are electrically connected by internal wiring of the liquid crystal driver chip 22. Then, the base tape 21 of the liquid-crystal-panel driver IC TCP is bent 180 degrees at the bending slit 25 and laid on each other so that the liquid crystal driver chip 22 is positioned on the front side.